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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: Douglas P. ALLARD

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Serial No.: 10/017,385

Examiner: Alexandra K. Pechhold

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For: ~~HIGH CAPACITY BASIN FILTRATION SYSTEM WITH ADJUSTABLE DEFLECTOR RING~~**Petition For Extension of Time Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136**

Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

It is hereby requested that the period for responding to the outstanding Final Office Action be extended three months from June 6, 2003 to September 6, 2003 by the filing of this Petition and fee payment. Because September 6, 2003 is a Saturday, the three-month extension effectively covers the next business day September 8, 2003.

The petition fee (37 C.F.R. §1.17(a)) is believed to be \$465.00 for a three month extension for a small entity. The Commissioner is authorized to charge to Deposit Account No. 08-3038, referencing Docket No. 11533.0012.CPUS05 in the amount of \$465.00, for the appropriate extension fee. A duplicate copy of this page is attached for the appropriate extension

fee. However, if extensions of time under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136 other than those provided herewith are required to prevent abandonment of the present patent application, then such extensions of time are hereby petitioned.

The U.S. Patent and Trademark Office is hereby authorized to charge any fee deficiency, or credit any overpayment, to our Deposit Account No. 08-3038 referencing docket number 11533.0012.CPUS05.

Respectfully Submitted,

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